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13 March 2003

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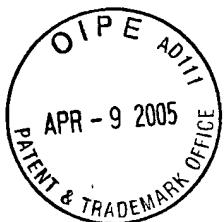
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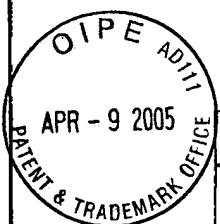
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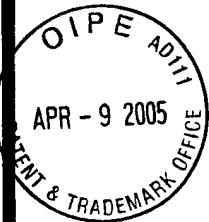
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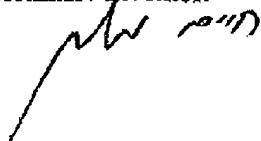
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Please advice on the status of this matter.

May I briefly present my complaint regarding the handling this patent application:

1. First office action indicated prior art paragraphs that provided no support whatsoever to examiners rejections. So it was presented to the examiner in my reply.
2. The second office action included clearly misleading out-of-context quotes from the same prior art reference. This was presented to the examiner in the reply.



3. Since then it seems I face any possible method to exhaust my resources and create a situation of abandonment.
4. This seems to reflects also in patent application 09/492,863 handled by the same examiner, where in spite of replying on time to first office action to 2 USPTO fax numbers, the examiner responded with abandonment due to no reply (my reply was easily found in the USPTO and the application was revived).

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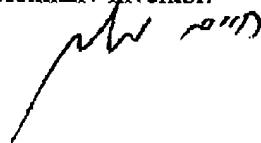
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